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G. DE CHAMPEAUX.
Hongkong, December 2, 1907. 1909

SCOTCH MASONIC QUADRILLE ASSOCIATION.

THE THIRD DANCE of the SEASON
will be held in the CITY HALL, on
JANUARY 3, 1908.
Invitation Cards are now available, and
may be obtained from the Undersecretary.
A Late Lunch will leave Ferry Wharf
for Kowloon at 1.30 A.M.
JOHN J. BLAKE,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, December 13, 1907. 1972

NOTICE.

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FORDIAN DINNER about the middle
of JANUARY next.
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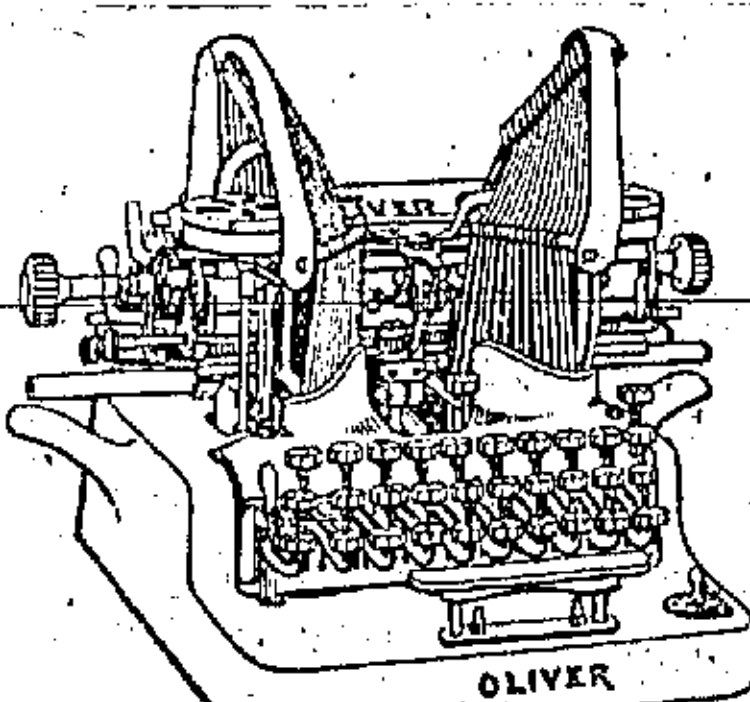
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HOUSES in LYVENHON VILLAS, KOW-LOON, and QUELIZ, No. 14, MACDONNELL ROAD, Hongkong. A Five-Roomed House, furnished or unfurnished.
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GEO. P. LAMMERT AUCTIONEER.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

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the 18th December, 1907, at 2.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, DUNDRELL STREET.

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising—

BRASS and BRASS-MOUNTED BEDSTEPS, TRAP, WARDROBES, with BEVELLED MIRRORS, TOILET TABLES, MARBLE TOP WASH-STANDS, TOILET CROCKERY, WHITE LAGS, CHAIRS, etc. TEAK SIDEBOARD, DINING TABLES and CHAIRS, DINING WARDROBES, TEA and OCCASIONAL TABLES, UPHOLSTERED EASY CHAIRS, OVERSTAYS, CARPETS, and Rugs, GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, CUTLERY, etc., etc.

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General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, December 20:—
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9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

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5 p.m.—Auction of Mechanical Toys and Dolls, &c., at Mr Geo. P. Lammer's Sales Room.

TUESDAY, December 24:—
Goods per *Denary* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1907.

AUSTRALIA'S ARMY.

STRICTLY speaking Australia has no army, that is to say it has only two thousand regulars so widely scattered as to be scarcely worth taking into account. These men are for the greater part garrison artillery. There is no regular infantry or cavalry. But there is a species of militia and every State has its volunteer forces while most large public schools can boast of cadet corps. In 1906 the approximate peace effective force was made up as follows: Permanent Forces 1,380; Militia, 14,500; Volunteers, 4,700; Rifle Clubs, 30,000; Cadets, 8,700. On a war footing it was estimated that a field force of 25,000 would be available. This is rather a pitiable showing when it is remembered that the population of Australia is about four millions and that, on a per capita basis, it is one of the richest countries in the world. When we turn to Canada we find that the Dominion's approximate peace establishment is 46,000 and the approximate war establishment 105,000 of all ranks. This was in 1906. The population of Canada that year was estimated at 5,756,000 and that of the Commonwealth at 3,774,000. It will be seen at once from this that the Dominion is doing its duty by itself and the Empire much better than is the Commonwealth. It is not surprising therefore that Mr Alfred Deakin, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth, should advocate compulsory military training for Australian youths. There is a marked disinclination among Australians to place themselves under strict discipline. As is generally known the constitution of the Commonwealth is the most democratic in the world. Class distinctions exist in Australia, as they always must in every part of the world, but the line of demarcation is not so sharp as in other countries, and, in the ordinary avocations of life, men have scope for a display of individuality and independence which would be almost impossible elsewhere. It is hard for men who have been accustomed to think, and largely to act, for themselves to sink their individuality and become a cog of a machine over the working of which they have no control. Also it has to be borne in mind that the rewards in civil life are great and that even if the permanent force were enlarged, it would be extremely difficult to find recruits. The only course open seems to be that suggested by Mr Deakin. If it were proposed to compel all residents of the Commonwealth between the ages of 18 and 40 to be trained in military arts the proposal would never get through Parliament. But Mr Deakin merely suggests that all youths upon attaining the age of eighteen years should be compelled to go through a course of military training. This would involve the minimum of interference with the country's commercial and industrial activities, and would gradually, but surely, build up a force capable of resisting any invading force ever likely to go to Australia. They have in the Commonwealth an anti-militarist party which is certain to attack Mr Deakin's patriotic proposal.

but it may be anticipated that the common sense which characterises the majority will prevail and that Australia will resolutely set about the task of preparing for an emergency which might occur at any moment. Australia should not allow Canada to out-rank her among the nations of Greater Britain.

Our friends in the Straits Settlements are getting restive in connection with the Crown Agent incubus. A loss of about \$60,000 has been caused the Colony as a result of depreciation of some of the securities bought on its behalf by the Crown Agents. Our contemporary, the "Straits Times," which never fails to say exactly what it thinks, roundly declares that this loss was caused through the neglect of the Colony's interest by the Crown Agents. One of the unofficial members of the Straits Legislative Council, the Hon. Mr T. S. Baker, has given notice of his intention of asking, at the next meeting of Council, whether the Government would call upon the Crown Agents to make good to the Colony the difference between the market value of the securities at the rate of exchange on March 27, 1905, the date on which a definite and second order to sell was wired to the Crown Agents, but not acted upon by them, and the actual amount that was finally realised and accounted for, and, if so, would the Government in the event of the Crown Agents repudiating liability for such loss, either take proceedings for the recovery of the amount, or arrange to have the matter submitted to arbitration? It will be interesting to note what reply is given by the Government.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

Wu Ting-fang is booked to leave Peking on December 22 for his new post at Washington.

This afternoon a football team from the Canton Christian College are in town playing a match against the Queen's College team.

The Peking Grand Council has been ordered by the Throne to wire to Viceroy and Governors of provinces to strictly prohibit raising foreign shares in dealing with mines and railways.

There were 377 European and 174 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library, and 145 European and 11,476 Chinese visitors to the Museum during the week ended 15th December, 1907.

It is reported from Hiroshima that at noon on Dec. 8 an explosion took place while some ammunition was being dried at the Nasami battery, near that city. Two men were killed and two others severely injured.

Tokyo, Dec. 12.—Further trouble has been caused at Yubotokyo by the revolutionaries and they have fought with the troops. Over sixty were killed and wounded on both sides. In Harbin, it is reported, there are disturbances.

The steamer Haimun (Capt. A. J. Robson) got in from Foochow, Amoy, and Swatow this morning and reports having picked up a fisherman clinging to an overturned junk. The man had been in the water ten hours. The steamer experienced a heavy monsoon and high seas.

The continued fall of the price of silver and the speculations that have been indulged in are likely to seriously disturb several of the big Chinese firms in Singapore. According to private advices several crashes are imminent if silver continues its downward course.

M. Shipoff, the Russian ex-Minister of Finance, arrived at Kio to the morning of the 8th and left the following day for Tokyo. While in Kio he stayed at the Miyako Hotel and received visits from both the Governor and Mayor. Mr. Shipoff appeared to be very pleased with his impressions of the old city.

A Seoul telegram to the "Mainichi" states that in consequence of the increasing cold, the so-called Volunteers in various parts of the country are looting more extensively than ever, the peaceful inhabitants suffering greatly from their depredations. At Hong-gan, Chungchodo, the leader of the local Volunteers has circulated a manifesto to the effect that the people are under an obligation to supply him and his followers with provisions and other necessities as he is fighting in their cause. His men are looting heavily.

The main prop and base for the peace of the world is the maintenance of good relations between our two countries, and I shall further strengthen them as far as lies in my power. The German nation's wishes coincide with mine. The German Emperor speaking at the Mansion House.

CROUP.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council will be held to-morrow when the Hon. Mr H. E. Pollock will ask the following questions:

(1.) Will the Government state what steps it is taking in connection with the proposed construction of an additional harbour of refuge?

(2.) Will the Government consider the advisability of introducing legislation, as to the proof in this Colony of the status of British possessions and protectorates, framed upon similar terms to the Evidence (Colonial Statutes) Act, 1907?

A STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE.

An Artillery Sergeant Wanted.

The military authorities and the police are exercised over the absence of Sergeant Dukes, of the Royal Garrison Artillery. Dukes arrived by the *Trapani* Sicily and was on board until about 8.30 on Dec. 10. He was not seen after that and at 9.30 his absence was commented upon. He is believed to have gone ashore, but no trace has yet been discovered of his subsequent movements.

It is only natural to expect that in the case of a mysterious disappearance various theories should be put forth to account for it, and this case is no exception to the rule. It appears that Dukes was Provost Sergeant on the Sicilia and had occasion to reprimand some of the men in his charge. It is suggested in some quarters, though the report does not gain much credence, that foul play is responsible for his absence.

Inquiries to-date have failed to elucidate the mystery.

TORTURE.

Canton Paper's Comment.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, December 17.

An incident has just occurred that has caused the editor of the "Canton Daily News" to speak out against examination by torture. A man suspected of being a robber was arrested on one of the native passenger boats a few days ago. There was only circumstantial evidence against him. He was taken to the prison and there examined by torture and died. He is said to have been well dressed and of refined appearance, and declared to the very last that he was innocent. The editor says that he is not prepared to say whether the man was innocent or guilty, but it did not appear to him that examination by torture was quite the thing among a people who desired a constitutional form of government.

A TRIO OF ACCIDENTS.

All Terminate Fatally.

Three accidents occurred this morning, each of which resulted in the death of an adult. The first one occurred at an early hour at the Globe Hotel whereby Private Kelly, a marine on the U.S. cruiser *Wilkes*, met his death through a fall into a passage at the rear of the building. It is alleged that Kelly had been indulging last night and had paid a visit to other hotels, finally arriving at the Globe where he was drinking and engaged a room. He retired for the night but apparently went out to the rear this morning and fell over a landing, sustaining a fracture to the base of the skull.

An elderly Chinaman, who owned a boat, fell from the cattle wharf at Kennedytown into his boat and struck his head. He was picked up and taken to the hospital but died from a fractured skull. He was seventy-five years old.

The third accident happened at about 11.30 a.m. Two coolies were seated near a hawk's stall in a lane at the back of D'Agular Street when the top back window of No. 7, *Jealousie* and all, fell and landed right on top of one coolie. The hawk had a miraculous escape, for his stall was smashed to tinder wood, while the other coolie escaped with a couple of bruises. When the debris was cleared away and the first coolie extricated it was found that life was extinct. He had a severe gash on his head from which the brain protruded and was also otherwise injured. The hawk received a blow on the head and a piece of wood struck him on the shin. The two injured men were removed to the hospital and their wounds were treated, while the dead coolie was taken to the mortuary.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

On the 16th inst. His Excellency the Governor, Sir A. D. C. and the Harbour Master, steamed round the eastern half of the harbour in the *Victoria* to inspect the various points of interest. On the way the party visited the Greffier Island Cement Company's factory at Kowloon.

Our London correspondent wrote on November 17: "The new Chinese Minister, Li Ching-Fang, has arrived at the Legation in Portland Place, and the Chinese Colony in London look to a renewal of glories in connection with the representation of their country in this capital for the new Minister is a man of wealth and attainments, including a perfect knowledge of English. Since the departure of my good friend the late Chi Cheng Lo Feng Luh, the Chinese Legation has not been anything like so prominent in social affairs as the Chinese Colony wish."

THE WEST RIVER
DEADLOCK.

The war of words and the strife of tongues in connection with the policing of the West River still continues without any sign of abatement. Yesterday it was noted that there has been formed among the natives an Association, the members of which have pledged themselves to oppose the Government in any concessions to foreigners, even unto death. The outlook for them is not very bright, inasmuch as at first sight seems difficult to see in what way they are to oppose the powers that be, in order to bring upon them the official anger so as to win martyrdom.

It seems, however, as far as we can ascertain, that some of them expect that they will be arrested for their expressed opposition to the doings of the officials, and, in this way they may be executed. This result is quite possible, for if there is any sign of sedition the officials will not hesitate to arrest those who appear to be dangerous to the present constitution, whatever may be the purpose of those who believe they are patriotic. This, then, is the aim of the members of this Society, and in order to prepare for the possible they have subscribed funds in order to support the families of those who may lose their lives in the interests of the progressiveness of State government.

One of the most remarkable movements of the present time is the number of Societies that are being formed throughout China, or throughout the South of China, in order to acquire power, and "rule themselves." Here, too, an outsider can hardly know intimately what is the exact intention of the promoters of these Societies, for their meetings do not allow, apparently, to be published any exact statement of what the aims of these Societies are, except that they state that their intention is to strive for self-government. Of course the Chinese have this to-day to a greater or less degree. In the country towns and the big villages the elders have considerable power, and they use it in the interest of the village and the neighbourhood something like the members of the County Councils act in England. We must consequently suppose that the present movement is something far more radical than this, and that the power, after which the people are struggling, will enable them to interfere with and help to settle matters that are of national interest. But, as we said before, what matters they wish to interfere with and control do not appear to be clearly set forth. Meanwhile the powers that be, specially the press, continue to send forth their diatribes of opposition against the officials on the one hand and the English on the other, because of the present invasion of the inland waters by British gunboats. Nor do these writers content themselves with mere abuse. They have at their fingers' end the articles of the several treaties which China has made with Foreign Powers, and they quote them, and argue from them in a very able way.

Only yesterday there was a leader in one of the papers which quoted an article that dealt with the very matter that is now so acute. Apparently, the article says (we have not the English version with us at present) that when robberies are perpetrated and robberies include piracy—every effort must be made by the native officials to arrest the robbers, and, when any of the stolen property is recovered, it shall be handed back to the rightful owner through the medium of the nearest Consul. The writer goes on to point out that there is nothing said here as to paying an indemnity. The officials only are liable when the property is recovered. Then it must be restored at once, otherwise the matter ends as far as indemnification goes. The writer then states that every effort was made to arrest the robbers in the case of piracy on the West River, but the property could not be recovered, and so the matter should end.

What we can hardly foresee is what the immediate future will or may develop. It is quite certain that the people are stirred to opposition as they have not been moved before, and when they are in this state, and with this Association behind them, in which there are men like the Nihilists in Russia who do not value their lives, but who are willing to sacrifice them in the interests of their country, there may be an outbreak that will be disastrous for Europeans before the outbreak can be quelled. We are not saying that these things will be, but we are justified in pointing out that with the present state of feeling and the formation of these Societies behind it is by no means an impossible thing that there should be an outbreak, and, if there were, it could certainly be a farious one.

OXFORD'S NEW PRIZE.

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, Nov. 7.

We are likely to hear a good deal about the latest prize established at Oxford. The University has set apart the sum of £1,000, contributed by the pupils and admirers of the late Professor Weldon, and the proceeds from this fund will be awarded to the scholar, European, American, Colonial, or Asiatic, who, in the opinion of the judges, has done the best piece of work in connection with Bionomic Science during the previous six years. Professor W. F. Weldon, it may be recalled, died in the spring of last year when he was only forty-six, and it was said of him that he had been able to found a new school of zoologists.

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FOOCHOW RACES.

SECOND DAY—Dec. 17.

The results of the first three races are not to hand. The remainder are:
THE HONORABLE CUR—\$150. One mile and a half.
Mr Oswald's Mainstay 155 lbs. 1
THE CHAUNCEY CUR—Presented. Three quarters of a mile.
Mr Min's Scarlet Runner 152 lbs. 1
THE COMPROMISE CUR—Presented. One mile and a half.
Mr Min's Bay Rum, 162 lbs. 1
THE FOOCHOW STAKES—of \$10 each, \$100 added. One mile and a quarter.
Mr Min's Corrie, 152 lbs. 1

A TURBINE STEAMER.

First to Arrive in Hongkong:

The Hira Maru, the first turbine steamer to arrive in Hongkong, entered the harbour about 10 a.m. to-day flying the Japanese flag. She was built at Dumbarton for the Japanese State Railway Company to run between Nagasaki and Dany. She is a very fine craft, fitted for first and second class passengers, and made about 10½ knots on her trial. She is 647 tons net register.

THE BANDMANN'S.

Last night the Bandmann Company played "Beauty and the Barge," a light comedy by W. W. Jacobs and L. N. Parker. There is not much scope in the piece for really strong acting, but it is cleverly developed and sustained, and induced roars of laughter from the audience. The chief character of the play is a Miss Ethel Smedley, who is engaged to be married to a Mr Herbert Manners, a Russian who has come all the way from Russia to marry her. She refuses to marry the Russian, however, thus provoking the wrath of her father. She decides to go to London and join the stage, so, meeting a Capt. James Barley, she asks, and he consents, to take her there, in accordance to him, his harque, but in reality, a large. She also accidentally meets a Lieut. Seyton Byrne, R.N., who is struck with her beauty, and hearing of her flight he obtains a berth on the barge as first mate, and goes with her. So the story goes on, with many amusing incidents, till everything is settled happily by Miss Smedley marrying the Lieutenant, and the Russian marrying her cousin, Miss Lucy Dallas.

Miss Helen Grenville, as Ethel Smedley, the centre of the piece, was very good, indeed, her acting being most natural; while Mr. Claude King played the Lieutenant's part in his usual finished style. Mr. H. Sinclair Carter made a most excellent Captain James Barley, causing a great deal of amusement. Mr. Sydney T. Peace was the fussy, irate Major to life. Miss Dorcas Corbie, a maid at the Smedley's and owner of three cottages—also much in love with the Captain and not a little with John Dallas—was perhaps the most finished player on the stage; at all events her rendering of the part seemed flawless. Miss May Dallas gave a very pretty interpretation of the heroine's cousin, Lucy Dallas. Mr. Clifford Brown as John Dallas, the love sick gardener, and Mr. H. Neill as George Foster, the timid beer house proprietor, were both good, as were also the others who took the minor parts. To-night the Company plays "The Earl of Pawtucket."

'THE LAND OF LILLIPUT.'

The American and Canadian papers vied with one another in laudation of the Pollard Lilliputian during their recent (which was also their fourth) tour round the world. "Marvellous nuggets," "famous aggregation of two-year-olds," "these wonderful tots," are only a meagre selection from the vocabulary of admiring "epithets" lavished upon the little people of Pollard's Lilliputians. The "Oregonian" says:—"There are two classes of people who must enjoy to the limit the performances of Pollard's kiddies. They are the adults who have youth in their hearts and who love children, and the children in whose spotless souls there is left the capacity for wholesome and irresistible laughter. For that third class who have lost the capacity for enjoying innocent soul-cleansing mirth and joyous song there may be no chance of their coming in rapport with the mirth, gambols, music, the deliciously, ridiculously, sincere, impersonations of those talented tiny Thespians." "It is impossible," exclaims the Winnipeg "Telegraph," "to praise too highly these brilliant juveniles from the antipodes. No Metropolitan Company of veteran actors could have given a more polished rendering of the over-popular musical comedy, 'The Belle of New York.' The Montreal 'Herald' declared that 'the farewell performance of the Pollard's Troupe was one of the most remarkable demonstrations of personal affection of which a Montreal audience has ever been guilty.' The gay little Lotharios of 'The Belle of New York' Co. are carrying away with them the hearts of a host of the disconsolate girls they leave behind them." The Lilliputian's inaugural tour, after a three years' absence, by opening their Hongkong season in the Theatre Royal next Saturday evening, December 21st, with 'The Belle of New York.' The Box Office is at the Robinson Piano Co.

THE TYPHOON.

The U. S. Consulate has received the following telegram from the Manila Observatory: "December 17, 1907, at 4 p.m. Typhoon approaching north from Mindanao and Southern Visayas."

Of the 45,800 Chinese coolies on the Rand on Sept. 30, 59 died in October and 3,892 were discharged for repatriation, leaving 42,338 in the country at the end of the month.

BY TELEGRAPH. BY TELEGRAPH.

SOUTH AFRICA.

Dinizulu Gaoled.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

LONDON, December 17.

The disinfectant chief Dinizulu, together with his attendants, has arrived at Maritzburg and has been lodged in gaol.

ROMAN CATHOLICISM.

The Pope Deplores Attacks.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

LONDON, December 17.

In the College of Cardinals, Rome, His Holiness the Pope deplored the attacks which have been made on the Roman Catholic Church, even by those who should have safeguarded it.

He denounced the Modernists.

MOROCCO.

Eight Hours' Fighting.

LONDON, December 16.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

Severe fighting between the French forces and the Moors has taken place in the gorges of Ainef.

The engagement lasted eight hours, but eventually the Moors were driven from their positions and the gorges captured by the French.

Benis Assen lost heavily and the French had sixteen wounded.

RUSSIA.

LONDON, December 16.

The St. Petersburg papers state that owing to the crowded state of the Russian and Siberian prisons, the Government has been asked to sanction the re-establishment of the convict settlement in Sakhalin.

UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET.

LONDON, December 16.

The English papers publish lengthy comments and descriptions of the American Pacific Squadron, due to sail to-day. Admiral Evan's farewell statement and other indications are regarded in America as foreshadowing a visit to the Philippines, where it is believed half the squadron will remain and the rest return via Suez.

Review by the President.

LONDON, December 16.

President Roosevelt on board of the Mayflower, reviewed the fleet of 16 battleships with their auxiliaries, a total of 57 ships, prior to its departure for the Pacific.

The vessels sailed out headed by the Mayflower amid thundering salutes from the forts. The scene was a most impressive one.

THIEVES ON THE RAILWAY.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, December 7.

There has been considerable trouble of late on the Samshui branch of the Canton-Hankow Railway about baggage. Many thieves are plying their trade in various ways. One favourite method is to exchange a worthless bundle for a valuable looking bundle, either in the passenger carriage or luggage van as opportunity is afforded. Many pieces of luggage have been stolen outright. The authorities are taking steps to protect the baggage. Two special guards are put on each train to go through each carriage frequently, and special luggage van tickets are issued to owners of valuable packages so that they may sit in the luggage van and protect their luggage.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY CURES QUICKLY, SAFELY, AND EASILY.

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THE TEST MATCH.

Still Raining.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

STURGEY, December 18, 2.15 p.m.

Rain fell steadily yesterday afternoon and continued to-day.

Play has not been resumed as it is still raining.

[The fact that rain has prevented play to-day does not necessarily mean that the match will be abandoned, for at the commencement of the tour it was agreed that all test matches should be played out to a finish. The Englishmen's next engagement is against Victoria at Melbourne and a start is to be made on Saturday, which means that the team must leave Sydney early on Friday, unless they are to travel by the night express, and a night's journey in a train immediately before an important match would certainly be prejudicial to England's chances, though five of the Victorian team will accompany them. However, given fine weather to-morrow the match should finish early. The wicket will not be improved by the rain—if it has been heavy—and England's prospects of a win are brighter now than at any stage of the match.—Ed., T.M.]

KIANGSU RAILWAY LOAN.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, December 17.

Prince Ching, President of the Grand Council, interviewed the British Minister yesterday with reference to the Kiangsu railway loan.

His Imperial Highness endeavoured to effect a cancellation of the agreement, to which the representative of Great Britain strongly objected.

Compromise in various forms was suggested, and the Chinese Government suggested using the money for other purposes.

LATER.

As a consequence of the trouble in connection with the Kiangsu railway question, Prince Ching, Natang, Yuan Shih Kai, Wang Tai Shi, and Liang Tun Yun, all of the Waiwupa, have memorialised the Throne of their inability to effect a settlement and have asked to be relieved of office.

CHINESE CONSUL FOR ANNAM.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, December 17.

As the result of a cable memorial from the Imperial Commissioner Yang Shi Chi, the Waiwupa has opened negotiations with the French Minister for the despatch of Chinese Consul.

Generals at Saigon and Hanoi in order to effect better co-operation with the French Authorities there to deal with members of the Secret Societies.

THE CANADIAN RIOT.

A Question of Compensation.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, December 17.

The Peking Government has wired the Charge d'Affaires of the Chinese Legation at Washington for full particulars relating to the damages suffered by Chinese merchants in the recent anti-Asiatic riot in Canada, in order that the same may be forwarded to the Chinese Minister at London to negotiate for the payment of compensation.

OLD BUILDINGS.

Precautions in Canton.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, December 17.

One result of the recent disaster when the walls of a large restaurant collapsed and killed nearly one hundred persons is the issue of a proclamation by the Police Department forbidding magic lanterns and moving picture exhibitions with the permission of the Police. It is pointed out that there are many old buildings in the cities and such exhibitions draw large crowds together. If, upon examination of the building where it is proposed to hold an exhibition, the premises are found to be unsafe, the required permission will be granted. This offers a new opportunity for the Police Office to inquire or to issue a modern American expression to get "graff," but if conducted honestly ought to work for the public good.

THE WEST RIVER FLOTILLA.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, Dec. 17.

A gentleman who has just come down the West River says that the British gunboats are actively patrolling the waterways. Every vessel, small and large, sailing under the British flag is expected to dip her colours to every British gunboat met. The launch that he was travelling on failed to do so when a torpedo boat was met, and it was chased and overhauled and the Chinese captain was reprimanded, besides having his name recorded for official report and censure. Four vessels are patrolling the waters between Kongmoon and Shiu Hing. The agitation over the matter seems to be abating.

CORRESPONDENCE.

CLOTHING FOR LEPERS.

(To the Editor of the CHINA MAIL.)

Sir—Last year many sent me clothing for the Lepers in Canton; it was most acceptable. Almost any garments for either sex can be turned to good use. I shall be pleased to receive any for transmission. 'He gives twice who gives quickly.' Yours, etc.,

C. H. HICKLING.

The Manse, 5 Kennedy Road, Dec. 18th.

A PIRACY CASE.

A Question of Law.

In the Court of Criminal Sessions this morning before His Lordship Sir Francis Figgott (Chief Justice) Wong Chun Tai, Lam Sek On, Chan Wa and Chung Fu Sing were indicted on charges of piracy and armed robbery.

The Hon. Mr. W. Ross Davies (Attorney-General) prosecuted on behalf of the Crown; the accused were undefended and pleaded not guilty.

The indictment was a lengthy one and as it charged them with piracy, or in the alternative, armed robbery, His Lordship pointed out that he had great doubts as to whether there was any common law offence, if there was an offence under an ordinance.

The Attorney General remarked that they had had some difficulty in drawing up the indictment; it was a question whether the accused were committed for trial under an ordinance which had no application, for that ordinance dealt only with setting out for the purpose of piracy, as in the Foreign Enlistment Act. The question arose whether the offence was committed in the waters of the Colony or on the high seas and the alternative indictment was filed to meet any possible contingency.

Sir Francis directed the Attorney General's attention to the fact that the old Piracy Ordinance was still in force, for under the constitution of the Colony all statutes in force in England in 1841 were in force in the Colony.

The Attorney General was not sure whether the Piracy Ordinance met the case. The evidence apparently went to show that the offence was committed within the territorial waters.

The Chief Justice—Within the waters of the Colony? Then you do not require the Piracy Ordinance?

The Attorney General—The reason we employed the alternative count is that armed robbery would meet the case and I have based it on a direct precedent in this Court; the case was tried before Your Lordship and a conviction obtained.

The Chief Justice—The point was never raised.

The Attorney General—In that case the charge was merely one of armed robbery although it took place at sea. Assuming the offence to have been committed on the high seas it is piracy by common law; assuming it did not the other counts meet the case.

The Chief Justice—If the evidence is that the offence occurred off Lamma Island I should drop the common law counts.

The Attorney General concurred and the following jurors were chosen—Messrs O. Glover, T. Seggie, A. Ogilvie, A. M. Jaffer, H. E. Cranford, I. S. Levy and E. Howard.

The Attorney General, in outlining the case for the Crown, said that on November 14 four men were fishing on a junk near Lamma Island and about eight o'clock at night were hauling in the nets when another boat, containing six persons came alongside. Four men jumped aboard, armed with knives and revolvers or other firearms, and one of the fishermen was either pushed or fell overboard. He was rescued by the robbers and put on their own junk, and then the fishing junk was searched and a box containing \$54 in small coin taken away, as well as some fish, etc. The matter was reported to the police and four days later the junk was paid a second visit and various articles stolen. The four prosecutors told the same story but the difficulty would be with the identification, though the Attorney General thought there would be little difficulty in proving that the same men participated in each attack. The stolen property was recovered by the police and identified.

PNEUMONIA.

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HOME SPORTING.

OUR SPECIAL LETTER.

BOMBAY, November 16.

DEVON DOWN—The surprise of the Rugby Union matches on Saturday was the defeat of Devon by Gloucestershire in the County Championship match at Cheltenham. The winning team contains some rare robust forwards and as Devon is not so strong this season, we may see the "balance of power" altered somewhat in the west. Oxford narrowly defeated the Harlequins, in spite of the help of the South African and New Zealand blood, but Cambridge easily defeated Blackheath and appear to be very powerful this season. Then we had Swansea and Cardiff beating Leicester and Moseley by five to nil and 19 to nil respectively. In Scotland the chief games resulted in Glasgow Academicals beating West of Scotland (8 to 0) while Edinburgh University disposed of Edinburgh Wanderers by three points to nil.

ASSOCIATION.—For the first time in the history of London football, we have had what might be termed a meeting of London teams in first league fray on Saturday. The occasion was the Chelsea v. Woolwich Arsenal match at Stamford Bridge and no less than 60,000 spectators were present. Chelsea played a real good game and, though a man short for a good portion of the second half, won by two goals to one. On the day's play there is no reason why Chelsea should not retain a position in the first league. As to other matches, Manchester United rasped still another victory (4-3) on entertaining Everton, while the biggest victory of the day was Liverpool's 6 goals to nil triumph over Notts County. St. Mirren could only draw (2-2) on visiting Glasgow Rangers and as Dundee beat Third Lanark (1-0), Dundee now heads the Scottish table with 22 points for 13 games.

CRICKET—His Highness the Jam of Newnagar, or "Ranjit," as he is still fondly spoken of by the cricket public, is again in England. Mr. A. C. McLaren met the famous Indian cricketer at Dover and no doubt they had a pleasant chat over past deeds on the cricket field. Ranjit says he is as fond of cricket as ever and he advises young players to lose no chance of standing up to good bowling. The great ex-Cambridge and Sussex batsman may be in England for six or eight months (he is here under medical advice) and it is not beyond the realms of possibility that he may take some part in first class cricket before returning.

WHAT OF OUR TEAM NOW?—"One swallow does not make a summer," but the way the new blood in the M. C. C. team now in Australia is asserting itself is very satisfactory. K. L. Hutchings, J. N. Crawford, J. Hobbs and J. Hardestad may not catch the eye like Hayward, Tyldesley, Hirst and Fry, but they are young players of very great possibilities and the writer feels confident that they will all return with enhanced reputations. The doings of the Englishmen against South Australia this week makes one hopeful. "It is a very fast pitch at Adelaide to find four men making centuries—A. O. Jones, 118; L. C. Braund, 160; J. Hardestad, 135 and J. N. Crawford 114—shows that the Englishmen have soon adapted themselves to new conditions. Braund is an old stager and his success creates no surprise. Jones failed on the fast pitches when in Australia before so that his success now is very pleasing. That Hardestad and Crawford appear to be quite at home gives more grounds for satisfaction and ought to reassure those who feared the latter would be handicapped by the glare on his glasses as though a green shade or a Panama would not meet the situation. Once the South Australians' total was passed (with only four wickets down) hard hitting was the order and the spectators saw some fast scoring. The fifth hundred was made in 34 minutes and the sixth in 24 minutes. Crawford was particularly aggressive, making his fifty in 24 minutes and his century in 53 minutes and his full score in 58 minutes, his hits including three sixes and eighteen fours. In justice to the Australians it must be remembered that the thunder showers were enough to make the ball slippery while the pitch was none the worse. With 680 runs up for eight the skipper declared the innings closed and getting the Australians out again for 134 gained a splendid win. Crawford was a great factor; his five wickets for 40 runs makes one hopeful that the Surrey crick will be very much to the fore.

THE TURF—Visitors from overseas countries frequently express surprise that some of our chief races at Newmarket can be so partly viewed from the Grand stands. The Cesarewitch is a glaring example and it does strike the average man as absurd that a course should be used which only allows of about half the race being seen. Mr. Hugh Astley recently submitted a proposal to the Stewards of the Jockey Club that the course should be altered, but the answer was "We do not feel inclined to alter such an old established race." This is very unsatisfactory and this clinging to old traditions can be carried too far. It is possible to lay out magnificent courses at Newmarket to meet all demands and still give spectators a view of the racing from start to finish. It would also be better if the officials always had the jockeys under observation and it is really time "the powers that be" showed more inclination to move with the times. Racing now-a-days is very different to what it was when events like the Cesarewitch were first run, when most of the spectators who attended Newmarket Heath were mounted on horses, so that getting to and from the starting and finishing places was rather enjoyable.

PAU-MUTUEL BETTING—Some day we may have enough broad minded men in Parliament to legalise betting. The statistics of the pari-mutuel system in France during 1907 ought to make some of our M.P.'s think seriously over the subject. No less than £12,000,000 passed through the totalisator; the Government getting 8 per cent., or about £1,000,000. This was put to such useful purposes as—charity donations £240,000, improving the breed of horses £120,000, £113,000 for assisting agriculture and lesser sums for other matters.

A Royal Commission has declared that betting itself is not illegal and save for a few faddists it is recognised that it will never be stopped. It is a pity, therefore, it is not officially recognised, as fees for bookmakers' licences and a percentage of pari-mutuals would bring in very big sums for useful purposes.

SPORTING.

Billiards.

"The Sporting Life," of Nov. 16 has very complimentary reference to Mr. E. H. Hinds. Writing regarding Mr. Stevenson's visit to Hongkong the paper says: "Almost as 'hot' as the weather was the amateur members of the Hongkong Club found to pit against Stevenson, in a couple of exhibition games of 1000 up on the evening of Sept. 23 last. Fortunately for our sense of national pride the opponent referred to (a Mr. Hinds) is an Englishman, and who proved himself the finest amateur player Stevenson has run up against since he left these shores for his round-the-world tour in March last. This is a feather in Mr. Hinds' cap."

GOLF.

THE HONGKONG CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Championship of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club has been concluded and once again—for the fifth time, in fact—Mr. T. S. Forrest has come out on top, beating Lieut. Colonel Dumbleton in the final by six up and five to play. The game was a keen one and was played in two sessions, eighteen holes (twice round) in the forenoon and eighteen holes in the afternoon. At the end of the first eighteen holes the competitors were "all square" but in the afternoon Mr. Forrest showed by far the better skill and won comparatively easily.

The preceding rounds resulted as follows:—

FINAL ROUND.—Mr. W. D. Kraft beat Mr. C. W. May, 2-1; Mr. H. Pinckney beat Mr. M. A. Murray, 1 up; Mr. R. O. Hutchison beat Mr. W. J. Saunders, 5-4; Mr. T. S. Forrest beat Lt. T. E. A. Dalryell, 1 up; Lieut. C. B. Down beat Mr. A. W. J. Watt, 6-5; Mr. W. M. Anderson beat Mr. F. W. Ware, 1 up; Lieut. H. C. R. Boucher beat Major H. E. Lewis, 3-2; Mr. E. F. Mackay received a walk-over from Mr. T. C. Gray; and the following received byes—Messrs J. Douglas, E. J. Grist, H. W. Slade, C. P. Chater, D. B. Murray, Dr. G. M. Harston, Lieut. Col. H. N. Dumbleton, Paymaster H. G. Wilson, R.N.

SECOND ROUND.—Mr. Grist beat Mr. Douglas, 9-8; Mr. Wilson beat Mr. Slade, 6-4; Mr. Pinckney beat Mr. H. Kraft, 2-1; Mr. Forrest beat Mr. Hutchison, 3-2; Mr. Anderson beat Lieut. Down, 4-3; Mr. Mackay beat Lieut. Boucher, 4-2; Lieut. Col. Dumbleton received a walk-over from Mr. Chater; Mr. Murray beat Dr. Harston, 2-1.

THIRD ROUND.—Mr. Grist beat Mr. Wilson, 4-3; Mr. Forrest beat Mr. Pinckney, 5-3; Mr. Mackay beat Mr. Anderson, 4-2; Lieut. Col. Dumbleton beat Mr. Murray, 6-5.

FOURTH ROUND.—Mr. Forrest beat Mr. Grist, 5-4; Lieut. Col. Dumbleton beat Mr. Mackay, 4-3.

FINAL.—Mr. Forrest beat Lieut. Col. Dumbleton, 6-5.

Mr. Grist, last year's champion, was beaten in the semi-final by Mr. Forrest. It is interesting to note that Lieut. Colonel Dumbleton won the championship in 1893 (he was then Captain) and the runner-up in that year was Dr. "Jim" Lawson.

ROBERTSON FARWELL CUP.

The Robertson Farwell Cup competition has been concluded, Mr. E. J. Grist being the winner. This cup was presented by Mr. H. W. Robertson, of Messrs Butterfield and Swire, to be competed for monthly for two years, from January, 1906, to December, 1907. Last week-end therefore saw its conclusion.

The conditions were the best six net scores out of the twenty-four and the best average score to win. Altogether fifty-two competitors entered for the contest, but only eight put in the requisite number of cards. The position of these at the finish were:—

Cricket.

HONGKONG v. THE LEAGUE.

The annual match between the Hongkong Cricket Club and the League will take place on Christmas and Boxing Days, commencing at 2 p.m. and 11 a.m. respectively. The teams are as follows:—

HONGKONG CLUB: R. Hancock, H. Hancock, W. O. D. Turner, Major Lewis, T. E. Pearce, A. E. Lanning, A. V. J. Peake, Captain Kriekenbeek, A. A. Claxton, H. R. Makin and Wm. Dixon.

COMBINED LEAGUE TEAM: W. Edwards and C. Irvine (Police), Lance Corp. Roberts and Bandman Barton (Middlesex Regiment), Walter Dixon (Kowloon), E. B. Reed, R. O. Hutchison, and R. C. Withall (Civil Service), Lieut. Lucy (W.O.A.), L. J. Wisbart (Telegraphist) and A. O. Haver (Craneowner). Reserves: W. H. Powell, R. Basi, C. M. S. Owen, R. Pestonji and others.

A COMPLAINT.

A correspondent, writing under the nom-de-plume of "League," has a complaint against the mode of selection and says:—"The committee were handicapped in being unable to choose their best team, because the Hongkong Cricket Club had retained four league players, viz., Captain Kriekenbeek, A. A. Claxton, E. A. Fowler and A. V. J. Peake. These four players if available stood an almost certain chance of being picked for the League team and without them the team is not very competitive. In consequence, what should be one of the best games of the season is spoilt."

Further comment is superfluous, but is Fowler a league player? If he is, he is available, as the Hongkong Club have not picked him.

Rugby Football.

There will be a match on the Club ground to-morrow afternoon at 4.30 p.m. when a team captained by Lieut. Larnour, R.A., will oppose a Naval XV. Mr. Larnour's team, which will have the assistance of several civilian members of the H.K.F.C., will play in colours.

On Friday the H.K.F.C. will meet a Naval team arranged by Lt. Isaacson, R.N. The Club will play in colours, and the kick-off will be at 4.45 p.m. sharp. Both games are expected to produce interesting struggles.

In view of the International match, when England and Wales will play Scotland and Ireland, which is set down for 28th inst., these matches will partake somewhat of the nature of trial matches, and as there are many aspirants for this important encounter, no doubt the keenness displayed will be very noticeable.

RAISING TOBACCO IN CHINA.

According to the reports of Vice-Consul General W. B. Hull, at Hankow, to the Department of Commerce and Labour, Viceroys Chang Chih-ting established about eighteen months ago a tobacco plantation at a place between thirty and forty miles below Hankow, with the idea of making tests and experiments in growing and preparing Chinese and foreign tobacco leaves. The results are described by Mr. Hull as follows:

"An Englishman residing in Hankow was put in charge of the work, and went to Manila, where he secured a Philippine tobacco grower to take direct charge of the plantation and superintend the cultivation and preparation. Tobacco seeds were also brought from the Philippine Islands, with a view of growing and testing their productiveness in Chinese soil. The seeds were also made to improve the Chinese tobacco by scientific cultivation. "The crop of 1906 proved fairly satisfactory, good cigars being made from the Philippine tobacco; but very little improvement was found in the Chinese tobacco. This year Chinese tobacco was again planted, and also some seeds of Kentucky tobacco. The latter has made a wonderful growth and produced large and excellent leaves. As soon as the leaves have been cured they will be made up in the ways best suited for testing their quality."

"It is the viceroys' wish to either improve the native tobacco or else secure seeds from foreign countries which will grow in this soil and climate. When the proper thing is found, I understand that he will place the seeds within reach of the native growers of tobacco, at the same time encouraging them to improve their seeds and plants and to carry on the cultivation along more scientific lines. The demand for native tobacco will no doubt increase, owing to the large quantities which will be used by foreign manufacturers in China, and tobacco smoking will certainly grow with the suppression of opium smoking. As a result of larger crops of better tobacco the revenue of the Province will be increased and the income to the land owners raising tobacco will be increased. This seems to be the idea of the viceroys in making these experiments."

A HUGE FORTUNE.

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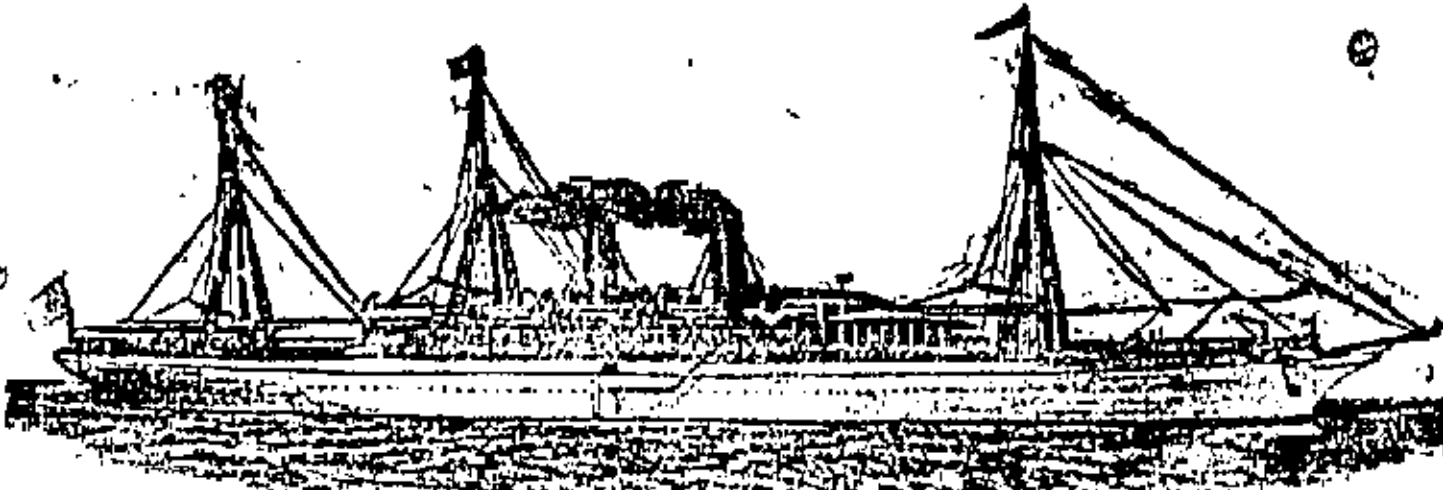
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SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE	SUNDA	Dec. 23rd	See Special
YOKOHAMA	ARCADIA	Dec. 23rd	See Special

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MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.	KANAGAWA MARU, Capt. N. Ohno, Tons 6169	WEDNESDAY, 26th Dec., at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.O., AND SEATTLE, WAH, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	WAKASA MARU, Capt. A. Christensen, Tons 6265	WEDNESDAY, 8th Jan., Daylight, 1908.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE.	IYO MARU, Capt. Wm. Thompson, Tons 6320	TUESDAY, 24th Dec., at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	KAGA MARU, Capt. G.S. Laprak, Tons 6301	TUESDAY, 7th Jan., at 4 p.m., 1908.
NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	YAWATA MARU, Capt. K. Honma, Tons 3917	FRIDAY, 27th Dec., at Noon.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.	NIKKO MARU, Capt. T. Harrison, Tons 5539	FRIDAY, 24th Jan., at Noon, 1908.
KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	YETOROFU MARU, Capt. K. Sato, Tons 4165	THURSDAY, 19th Dec., at Noon.
	NIKKO MARU, Capt. T. Harrison, Tons 5539	TUESDAY, 24th Dec., at Noon.
	RIOJUN MARU, Capt. T. Iizawa, Tons 4806	WEDNESDAY, 25th Dec., Daylight.
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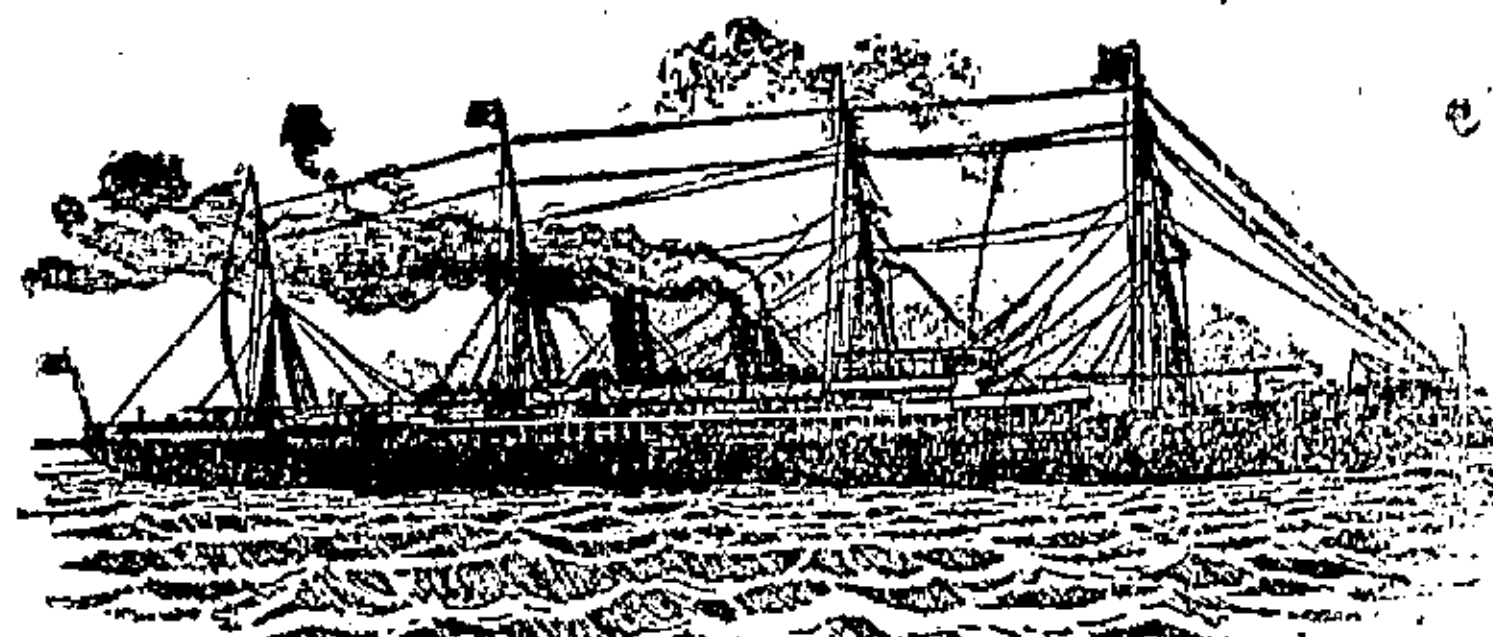
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HONGKONG MARU	11,000	FRIDAY, 3rd Jan., at Noon, 1908.
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SIBERIA	18,000	SATURDAY, 1st Feb., at Noon.
CHINA	10,200	SATURDAY, 8th Feb., at Noon.
MANCHURIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 15th Feb., at Noon.
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MANILA	TANAWA	Dec. 24, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	SHANGHAI	Dec. 25, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	YOCROW	Dec. 28, at 4 p.m.
ORU & HOLO	SUNOKIANG	Dec. 28, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	KUANGHANG	Dec. 31, at 4 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PT. DAIWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	TAIWAN	Jan. 1, at 4 p.m.
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SANDARAN	MONDAY	Dec. 23, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	FRIDAY	Dec. 27, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI	FOOKSANG	SATURDAY, Dec. 28, at 3 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA	KUTSANG	TUESDAY, Dec. 31, at 3 p.m.
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Calao Inlo, Japan	Katherine (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.	Dec. 28, at Noon.
Europe, &c.	Sachsen (a).....	Melchers & Co.	about Dec. 28.
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Hongkong & Shanghai	Singang (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.	Jan. 21, Daylight
Japan & Portland, &c.	Aleutic (a).....	Portland & A. S. Co.	about Dec. 20
	Nicomedeia (a).....	Portland & A. S. Co	about Dec. 19

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Manila, P. Saigon.	Tsuruno (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Dec. 27, at 1 p.m.
Manila	Taiyuan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Dec. 24, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Rubi (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Dec. 27, at Noon.
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Manila	Yuanseang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Dec. 27, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Taining (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Dec. 24, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Loongsang (s)	Jardine, M'Nee & Co., Ltd.	Dec. 20, at 4 p.m.
N'aski, R. C.	San Francisco (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Dec. 24, at Noon.
San Francisco, v. Japan	Monella (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Dec. 24, at Noon.
San Francisco, v. Japan	Hongkong Maru (s)	Yogo Kisen Kaisha	Jan. 3, at Noon.
San Francisco, v. Japan	Korea (s)	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Jan. 18, at Noon.
San F'elipe, via Japan	America Maru (s)	Yogo Kisen Kaisha	Jan. 24, at Noon.
Shanghai, Ch'ang & P'ien	Liansheng (s)	Jardine, M'Nee & Co., Ltd.	Dec. 20, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobe, & Yokohama	Frederick Friedrichs	Melchior & Co.	Abocr. Dec. 18.
Shanghai, Kobe, & Yokohama	Yunda (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Abocr. Dec. 23.
Shanghai, Kobe, & Yokohama	Yokohama Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	December 19.
Shanghai, Kobe, & Yokohama	Fuotoku (s)	Jardine, M'Nee & Co., Ltd.	Dec. 28, at 3 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobe, & Yokohama	Yokotsung (s)	Jardine, M'Nee & Co., Ltd.	Dec. 31, at 3 p.m.
Shanghai, P'ang & Cuddis	Katsang (s)	D. Sassoon & Co., Ltd.	Dec. 21, at 3 p.m.
Shanghai, P'ang & Cuddis	Grogory Apex (s)	Jardine, M'Nee & Co., Ltd.	Jan. 7, at 3 p.m.
Shanghai, P'ang & Cuddis	Magellan (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 7, at 3 p.m.
Shanghai, P'ang & Cuddis	Minicoot (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	January 18.
Shanghai & Swatow	Choyang (s)	Jardine, M'Nee & Co., Ltd.	Dec. 20, at noon.
Shanghai	Kiukiang (s)	Jardine, M'Nee & Co., Ltd.	Dec. 31, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Shoohsing (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Dec. 28, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Shanghai (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Dec. 25, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Arcadia (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Dec. 27, at Noon.
Shanghai, Kobe & Y'nnam	Salazie (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Dec. 22, at 9 a.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Y'nnam	Jarvis Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Dec. 24, at 4 p.m.
Victoria, B.C., Seattle	Yuro Maru (s)	Doddwell & Co., Ltd.	January 23.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Kamerie (s)	Doddwell & Co., Limited	February 21.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Tromont (s)	Canadian P'ac R. Co.	Dec. 19, at 4 p.m.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Empress of China (s)	Canadian P'ac R. Co.	Jan. 29, at Noon.
Vancouver, (B.C.) &c.	Montreale (s)	Canadian P'ac R. Co.	Feb. 13, at 4 p.m.
Vancouver, (B.C.) &c.	Empress of Japan (s)	Canadian P'ac R. Co.	Jan. 16, at 4 p.m.
Vancouver, (B.C.) &c.	Empress of India (s)	Canadian P'ac R. Co.	Jan. 16, at 4 p.m.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations Cash.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp. do.	80,000	125	all	\$710, sales \$710, sales London, £50
Nations Bank of China, Limited	99,825	7 1/2	6	\$51 " 278
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd.	10,000	250	50	\$242 1/2
China Traders Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	89.33	15	25 1/2 buyers
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	25	6	7 1/2, 87, sellers
Union Insurance Society, Limited.	8,000	250	100	\$797 1/2
Yangtze Insurance Association Ltd.	10,000	100	80	\$150, buyers \$120, buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	100	20	94, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	250	50	\$330 sales
DOCKS, ETC.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	50	all	\$96,
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited.	18,000	25	25	\$14
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	10,000	64	64	\$10, sellers
Shanghai Dock and Eng. Co., Ltd.	55,700	100	100	71, 71
STEAMBOATS, TUGS, ETC.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	30,000	25	25	\$15
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited.	20,000	50	all	\$38
H.K. & M. Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	15	15	\$24 1/2
Indo-China S. N. Company, Ltd.	60,000	5	all	\$40, Pref'd. 25, Def'd.
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	10,000	10	10	\$21, buyers
Shall Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	10,000	5	5	\$11 1/2, buyers

Shanghai Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd.	200,00	Tls. 60	Tls. 60	Tls. 48
to Preference	100,000		Tls. 50	Tls. 45
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited.....	20,000	\$ 100	all	\$56.
Enson Sugar Company, Limited.....	7,000	\$ 100	all	\$50, buyers.
Peark Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.....	7,000	Tls. 60	Tls. 50	Tls. 60
WEARVES.				
H.R. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	40,000		50	all \$62, sellers
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co..	32,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 207 1/2
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited.....	50,000	\$ 100	100	\$56, sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited.....	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100
Kowloon Land and Building Company,	6,000	\$ 50	\$ 30	\$35, sellers
Wei-hai-wei Land & Building Co.	3,674	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 9
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co.....	150,000	\$ 100		

TRAFFICWAYS.				
The Peak Tramways Co., Ltd.....	25,000	\$	10	all \$48, buyers
50,000	\$	10	all \$13	
			1	\$2
MINING.				
Société Française des Charbon- nages du Tonkin	18,000	Fcs.	250	all \$500, buyers
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.....	300,000	£	1	18/10 \$83, seller.
THE HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.....	13,000	£	60	all \$100, buyers.
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	80,000	\$	25	\$21
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	£	10	\$ 16 \$10
Watkins Limited	10,000	£	10	\$ 24, buyers
LIGHTING.				
H.K. and China Gas Co., Limited.....	7,000	£	10	all \$176, buyers.
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.....	8,000	£	50	10/10 \$16, 107
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	£	10	\$ 16.
BEER AND CIGARET.				
Green Island CEMENT Co., Ltd.....	400,000	£	10	\$11, sales & buyers
MISCELLANEOUS.				

United	12/10	12/10	12/10
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	50,000	\$ 10	\$ 10
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	50,000	\$ 10	\$ 10
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	25,000	\$ 10	\$ 10
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	5,000	\$ 10	\$ 10
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	5,000	\$ 10	\$ 10
H'kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$ 10	\$ 10
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$ 10	\$ 10
Two Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Limited	20,000	\$ 10	\$ 10
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Limited	10,000	\$ 10	\$ 10
Leakong-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$ 10	\$ 10
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co. Ltd.	2,000	\$ 10	\$ 10
China Provident Loan Mortgage Co., Limited	200,000	\$ 10	\$ 10
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	60,000	\$ 10	\$ 10
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$ 10	\$ 10

South China Morning Post.....	(3,000				
" "	4,000	25	25	\$22	sellars
China Light and Power Company	50,000	10	10		
" "	50,000	1	1	\$6	sellars
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	5	5	\$6	sellars
ICEBERG COMPANIES.....					
Philippine Co., Limited	67,500	10	10	\$5	
Alhambra Limited	300	500	50	Nominal	
BOARDS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.	
Chinese Imperial 1886, n.Ts.	767,800	Ts.	2807	% p. annum P.	

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